(b) The Chief of the Army Staff has not scrapped any major Projects after his taking over. Changes in dress of Army personnel are a continuous process, necessitated by operational requirements, regimental considerations, ceremonial aspects, economic considerations and the like.

Recruitment in Delhi Police

1515. SHRI SHAMIM AHMED SIDDIQI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of constables and Inspectors recruited in the Delhi Police during 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86; and

(b) how many of them belonged to minority communities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) During the year 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86, 2219 constables were recruited in Delhi Police. Year-wise break-up is as under:

1983-84	1984-85	1985-86
1980	1977	944

Direct recruitment in the rank of Inspector is not made in Delhi Police.

(b) During these 3 years, 39 constables belonging to minority communities were recruited as constables in Delhi Police. Year-wise break-up is given below:

Year	No.
1983-84	5
1984-85	16
1985-86	18

Proposal to Reorganise States on the basis of some New Policy

1516 SHRI ALADI ARUNA *alias* V. ARUNACHALAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether Government have any proposal under their consideration to reorganise the States on the basis of some new policy evolved by the Prime Minister, who has expressed himself against the formation of States on a linguistic basis?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): Government of India are not evolving any new policy regarding reogranisation of the States.

Islands in Ganga Sagar and Sindhu Sagar

1517. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of islands in the Ganga Sagar and Sindhu Sagar, where there is no habitation; and

(b) what is Government's thinking about them from the Defence and security point of view as also their approach for the development of these Islands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRIES OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Gearing-up of Wild-Life Policy Enforcement Agencies

1518. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite an enlightened wildlife policy, the killing of several protected and endangered species in the country is

on the increase due to the inefficient enforcement agencies;

(b) whether some corrective steps are likely to be taken to gear-up these agencies; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) There has been incidence of poaching of animals. However, it is not a fact that killing of several protected and endangered species in the country is on the increase.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The following steps have been taken to control poaching and to gear-up the enforcement agencies:

(i) A new centrally sponsored scheme has been recently approved entitled "Assistance for control of poaching and illegal trade in wildlife having inter-state and international implication".

(ii) Wildlife Division in the Ministry of Environment is being strengthened, mainly for enforcement of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

(iii) For conservation of Rhinos in Assam, a new scheme has been formulated with an outlay of Rs. 5.00 crores.

(iv) Amendment has made in the Wild Life (Protection Act, 1972 which bans trade in animals considered to be endangered and products derived therefrom.

(v) Coordination and liaison with Directorate of Revenue Intelligence, Armed Forces, Customs, Coast Guards is being increased for better enforcement of the wild life (Protection) Act.

(vi) Financial Assistance to the national parks, sanctuaries and Tiger Project areas is being enhanc-

Recruitment in Secretariat Security Force

1519. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI:
SHRI DIPEN GHOSH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the recent past a number of candidates were selected for the posts of Sepoys in the Secretariat Security Force;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the first two hundred candidates were called to join according to their seniority but thereafter the pick and choose system was adopted in the appointments;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(e) what action Government propose to take to safeguard the interests of those candidates who have been denied jobs ignoring their seniority?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL SECURITY (SHRI ARUN NEHRU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A panel of 304 candidates was prepared for filling up the posts of Sepoy (Group 'D') in Secretariat Security Force on 21-3-84.

(c) No, Sir. Offers of appointment had gone strictly in order of merit.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Killing of Backward Class People in Kansara (Bihar)

†1520. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 10 persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and a backward community were

†Previously Unstarred Question 1148, transferred from the 1st August, 1986.